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into his presence. "Twice." First at Gibeon and afterward at Jerusalem at the dedication of the temple.

Verse 10. At each of these times He had warned Solomon that he should prosper only as he observed certain commandments, but Solomon evidently thought that it was not necessary to be so particular about such things.

Verses 11—12—13. We have here an example of how God kept "covenant and mercy." Since Solomon had failed in his part he had forfeited all rights under the covenant but God, in his mercy, said that for David's sake he would not humiliate his son while he was alive, but that Solomon's son must suffer loss, and again, though he had forfeited all he would still allow that son to be king in name and hold sway over one tribe, while all the others would revolt from him. "And for Jerusalem's sake." God had chosen Jerusalem as his earthly resting place and since that was true He was not yet ready to give it up entirely to idolatrous worship.

Youth's Department.

Conducted by Lottie Holsinger.

A Mother's Dairy.

BY BERTHA SIBLEY SCRANTON.

Morning! Baby on the floor,
Making for the fender;
Sunlight seems to make it sneeze,
Baby "on a bender!"
All the spools upset and gone,
Chairs drawn up in file,
Harnessed strings all strung across,
Ought to make one smile,
Apron clean, curls smooth, eyes blue,
(How these charms will dwindle!)
For I rather think—don't you?
Baby "is a swindle."

Noon! A tangled, silken floss
Getting in blue eyes;
Aprons that will not keep clean,
If a baby tries!
One blue shoe untied, and one
Underneath the table;
Chairs gone mad, and blocks and toys,
Well as they are able;
Baby in a high chair, too,
Yelling for his dinner,
Spoon in mouth, 'I think—don't you?"
Baby "is a swindler."

Night! Chairs are all set back again,
Blocks and spools in order;
One blue shoe beneath a mat
Tells of a marauder;
Apron folded on the chair,
Plaid dress torn and wrinkled,
Two pink feet kicked pretty bare,
Little fat knees crinkled;
In his crib, and conquered too,
By sleep, blest evangel;
Now, I surely think—don't you?
Baby is an angel!

Our Scripture Lesson For Nov. 16th.

Read 1 Kings 11: 4—13.

Last week we told about King Solomon's goodness and glory. This was at a time when Solomon was in favor with God. As long as Solomon loved God and kept his commandments, God was with him, and blessed him, with riches and honor; but it seems that for all Solomon started out well in the service of God he, in time, departed from the right ways of the Lord, and followed after other gods.

It may seem very strange why Solomon did this, but it is not at all strange when we consider how it was brought about. If Solomon had had chosen for his companions only those who loved the Lord like himself, he would always have kept in the right way. But he did not do this; but instead, he brought into his company a great many who were idolators, and who did not love the true God, and these bad associates finally led him away from the true path.

This is an important lesson for us all, and especially for children such as those who read the Youth's department, who have good Christian fathers and mothers, who are teaching them to know and love the Lord. Such must not think that they are always safe, for they, too, may, if they are not careful, like Solomon, be led away from their present love and belief in God, and to follow after that which is not good. Children and young people must be careful not to choose bad company. Young people who swear and do all manner of evil are apt to lead even good children into bad ways. That is the reason we often see children who have had good parents and good religious training when young, depart from right and follow after that which is evil. It is impossible to keep bad company without learning bad ways. The only safe plan is to choose for our friends and associates those who will agree with us to do right and follow after that which is good.

And here let me tell you that it is just as important to read good books as it is to keep good company. Books are our companions as well as persons, and we are just as apt to learn from the one as from the other. Our advice to the readers of the Youth's Department is to read only good books and papers, and choose for your friends only such who will help you do what is right.

LESSON TRUTHS.

"Evil communications corrupt good manners."

We must persevere in well-doing.

Choose good company.

Read only good books.

We have a letter from some one that we would like to publish this week, but there was no name. There were fifty cents enclosed, and was written by a lady. The name might have been written on a separate slip and lost out. We will wait a week, perhaps we will get the writers name.

Report of Dew Drop Mission fund for week ending November 12.

Herman Snader - - - -	.10
Anna and Jennie Lichty -	.10
Previously reported,	11.95
Total,	$12.15

Letters from the Children.

Dear Lottie: I am only a little boy ten years old but I want to be a Dew Drop, so I send you 10 cents that I earned. I help brother Walter to work on the farm. I like to be doing something all the time. Mamma says I grow more like my good papa who has been in heaven for three years. I want to go there, too, when I die. I go to school now and Sunday-school morning and afternoon.

Your little friend,
HERMAN SNADER.

Nobly spoken, Herman, and as speaks the boy, so may the man act.

Your little drop will help swell the bucket, and we pray God to bless the little one who did what he could.

Dear Editor: I thought that I would write you a few lines for the EVANGELIST for the first time. I love to read the little folks letters so well. I am attending public school at present. My teacher's name is Mr. David Kelso. He is a very kind teacher. My studies are reading, spelling, geography, grammar, writing and arithmetic. I have three brothers and two sisters. My mamma and papa belong to the Brethren church. Brother Bashor was here this summer, I joined the church, also quite a number of others. I love to go to school. Since our Brethren's Sunday-school has broken up, I attend Lutheran Sunday-school. My little sister Jennie, and I will send our letter together. We will each send a little drop.

ANNA LICHTY.

Morrill Kansas.

That is right Anna, help your little sister to the step you have taken.

We welcome you and all others who have hearkened to the call of our master in the days of youth. May he keep you ever near him.

Dear Editor: I will try and write a few lines for the EVANGELIST. I am ten years old. The autumn leaves are falling fast. The weather is cold. I have three brothers and two sisters. I go to school every day and like my teacher, his name is Mr. David Kelso. My studies are reading, spelling, geography, arithmetic and writing. Father and mother and sister belong to the Brethren church. I will close for this time. I will send ten cents for the Dew Drop club.

JENNIE B. LICHTY.

Morrill, Kansas.

Your letter is written very neatly for a little girl.

I like to hear you say that you enjoy attending Sabbath-school, and hope, as you grow older you may not love it less. The dime was received and fell in the Dew Drop treasury with a ring.

A Word to the Children.

Dear children, listen while I tell you something which deeply concerns our welfare. The subject is the shape of your bodies. God knew the best shape. He created us upright, in his own image. None of the inferior animals walk upright.

God fitted the great vital organs in your bodies to an erect spine. Do your shoulders ever stoop forward? If they do so do your lungs, heart, liver and stomach fall down out of their natural places. Of course they can't do their work well. To show you how this is, I will tell you that when you bend forward you can take only about half as much air into the lungs as when you stand straight. As I have said God has so arranged the great organs in the body that they can't do their duty well except when the body is straight. Oh, how it distresses me to see the dear children, whom I love so much, bending over their school desks, and walking with their heads and shoulders drooping! My dear children, if you would have a strong spine and vigorous lungs, heart, liver, and stomach, you must, now while you are young, learn to walk erect.

If a boy were about to leave this country for Japan, never to return, and were to come to me and ask for rules to preserve his health, I should say, "I am glad to see you and, I will give four rules, which, carefully observed, will be pretty sure to preserve your health." He might say to me, "Four are a good many; give me one, the most important one, and I promise not to forget it." I should reply, "Well, my dear boy, if I can give you but one, it is this:

"Keep yourself straight—that is, sit up straight; walk up straight; and, when in bed at night, don't put two or three pillows under your head, as though intent on watching your toes all night" and I believe, that in this I should give the most imporant rule that can be given for the preservation of health and long life. My dear children, don't forget it.—*Golden Rule.*

"I Know a Thing or Two"

"My dear boy," said a father to his only son, "you are in bad company. The lads with whom you associate indulge in bad habits. They drink, smoke, swear, play cards, and visit theaters. They are not safe company for you. I beg you to quit their society."

"You needn't be afraid of me father, replied the boy laughing. "I guess I know a thing or two. I know how far to go and when to stop."

The lad left his father's house twirling his cane in his fingers and laughing at the "old man's notions."

A few years later and that lad, grown to manhood, stood at the bar of a court, before a jury which had just brought in a verdict of guilty against him for some crime in which he had been concerned. Before he was sentenced he addressed the court, and said among other things, "My downward course began in disobedience to my parents. I thought I knew as much of the world as my father did, and I spurned his advice; but so soon as I turned my back on my home, temptation came upon me like a drove of hyenas, and hurried me to ruin."

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